

## **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

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SECURITY INCIDENT RELATED TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS SYSTEM

This Security Incident Reporting notification memo is in adherence to Board Policy #6.109. On January 3, 2013, the Risk Management Branch (RMB) within the Chief Executive Office (CEO) was notified by the County's Third-Party Administrator (TPA) under contract administering workers' compensation claims that they experienced a security breach for 720 County employees who filed claims during calendar year 2012. This incident is a criminal case because unauthorized individuals possessed the claimants' personally identifiable information (e.g., name, social security number) during a law enforcement activity.

The County's Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), District Attorney's High Technology Crimes Investigation Unit, and CEO's RMB and Administrative Services Division performed an assessment of the incident. The assessment warrants breach notification letters to be sent to employees potentially affected. Credit monitoring service will be available to these employees upon request.

Remediation activities are proceeding to mitigate future risks associated with this incident. Further action will be addressed with the TPA to mitigate similar security and privacy issues.

If you have any questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Robert Pittman, County's CISO, at 213-253-5631 or rpittman@cio.lacounty.gov.

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